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IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT

FOR THE WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON Case No. Ca

MICHAEL A. LEON,

Plaintiff,

VS.

EXPONENT, INC. d/b/a DELAWARE EXPONENT, INC., THE BOEING COMPANY, FIONA GRIEG, MARC BIRTEL, JOHN DOE 1-50: MARY ROE 1-50; XYZ CORP 1-50; ABC LLC 1-50; The names of the "John Doe 1-50" "Mary Roe 1-50", "XYZ Corp, 1-50", and "ABC LLC, 1-50", defendants being fictitious, and unknown to the Plaintiff,

COMPLAINT DEFAMATION FALSE

LIGHT INVASION OF PRIVACY **EMOTIONAL DISTRESS**

JURY TRIAL DEMANDED BY PLAINTIFF PURSUANT TO FED. R. CIV. P. 38 (A),(B)& (C) - PLAINTIFF HEREBY DEMANDS A TRIAL BY JURY ON ALL ISSUES

Boeing keeps claiming no battery issues -Exponent report states improper test setup Constant redesigns 2013 and 1/14/2014

Defendants.

One year later almost to the day, yesterday lithium ion battery issues Dreamliner -1/14/2014 Japan Airlines grounds Boeing Dreamliner after battery issue.







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¹ Plane grounded after white smoke is seen coming from battery system is latest incident to plague Boeing's Dreamliner The most recent incident occurred almost a year exactly after the global Dreamliner fleet was controversially grounded by regulators following several incidents also related to

batteries.http://www.telegraph.co.uk/finance/newsbysector/transport/10572249/Japan-Airlines-grounds-Boeing-Dreamliner-after-battery-issue.html Boeing said it was 'aware of the 787 issue that occurred Tuesday afternoon at Narita, which appears to have involved the venting of a single battery cell'

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A spokesman for JAL told the Telegraph: "The aircraft is still grounded and will be until the battery system and other related parts has been completely changed." Contrary to Golder Ranch Fire Investigation report, Exponent has issued defamatory report stating that I am responsible for the lithium ion battery explosion. ^{2 3 4 5} I have a right to review this report and

Boeing, GE Engine Icing Risk Prompts FAA Directive By Paul Ausick November 26, 2013 7:15 am EST

⁴ http://www.courthousenews.com/2012/03/13/44660.htm Ecuador Beats Privilege Claims to Access Chevron Docs

A federal judge granted discovery in September, but Ecuador claimed that Chevron improperly withheld nearly 2,000 documents as privileged.

After reviewing approximately 1,900 documents in camera, U.S. Magistrate Judge Nathanael Cousins ruled that certain documents do not meet the criteria for work-product protection under federal law.

These documents include communications between non-attorney Chevron employees and Kelsh, as well as "notes, task lists, outlines, memoranda, presentations and draft letters authorized by Kelsh and/or Exponent, non-attorney Chevron employees, and other testifying experts from the Lago Agrio litigation."

Cousins' order extends to communications between Kelsh and third-party consultants, as well as other "retained and non-retained experts, including those incorrectly labeled as 'draft reports.'"

Chevron, Kelsh and Exponent must produce the documents by April 4.

http://cdn.nextgov.com/nextgov/interstitial.html?v=2.1.1&rf=http%3A%2F%2Fwww.nextgov.com%2Femerging-tech%2F2013%2F01%2F2006-battery-fire-destroyed-boeing-787-suppliers-facility%2F60809%2F

Leon said Securapane dismissed him while he was engaged in "protected activity relating to air safety concerns that he brought to the attention of both Securaplane management and the FAA." The company said that Leon, among other things, was a convicted felon who lied to fire investigators, falsified his employment history and violated company email and Internet policies. Lithium ion battery safety issues due to explosion which maimed Michael Leon. Defendants

Japan Airlines has grounded one of its fleet of Boeing 787 Dreamliners after white smoke was spotted streaming out of the battery system in a pre-departure maintenance check.

The aircraft, which was parked at Tokyo's Narita airport and was scheduled to leave for Bangkok, is believed to have suffered a technical problem relating to a battery cell leakage.

A warning sign for the battery system problem was detected by a maintenance worker in the cockpit of the plane, while white smoke was reportedly spotted outside the window.

^{&#}x27;The safety pressure relief valve connecting to one battery cell out of eight was found to have opened, it was found that liquid had dispersed in the main battery enclosure," said a statement from Japan Airlines (JAL).

The incident is likely to reignite safety concerns surrounding the Boeing 787 Dreamliner, which was hailed as the aircraft of the future when it was first unveiled but has encountered a string of technical issues since its first commercial flight in 2011.

³ In January 2013, the FAA grounded all 787s after two battery fires developed on parked aircraft in Boston. In July, an Ethiopian Airlines 787 caught fire due to a faulty emergency beacon. Norwegian Air Shuttle grounded its fleet because of oxygen supply, brake, and hydraulic pump issues. Finally, last month, a Polish-owned 787 was grounded after the system that identifies planes to air traffic controllers malfunctioned. That's a long year for Boeing's engineers, and fear of engines icing up doesn't help matters. http://247wallst.com/aerospace-defense/2013/11/26/boeing-ge-engine-icing-risk-prompts-faa-directive/

see false light report disseminated to third parties and recover damages. The public has a right to know and journalists as well. Plaintiff Michael A. Leon ("Plaintiff") brings this Complaint for violation of Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 against EXPONENT, FIONA GRIEG, MARC BIRTEL, THE BOEING COMPANY, JOHN DOES 1-50; MARY ROES 1-50; XYZ CORPORATIONS 1-100; The names of the "John Doe 1-50" "Mary Roe 1-50", "XYZ Corp, 1-50", and "ABC LLC, 1-50", defendants being fictitious, and unknown to the Plaintiff ("Defendants") and states the following:

JURISDICTION AND VENUE

- 1. This Court has subject matter jurisdiction over this case pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1332, as the plaintiff MICHAEL A. LEON and defendants are from different states and the amount in controversy exceeds \$75,000 exclusive of interest and costs. Plaintiff does not want the action in Arizona conflict with US District Court subject of Ninth Circuit action Section 1983.
- 2. Venue in this District is proper pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1391, in that the defendants or their agents, or certain of them, reside or may be found here, a substantial part of the events giving rise to plaintiffs' claims occurred here, and the defendants transact business here.
- 3. This Court enjoys venue under 28 U.S.C. § 1391(a)(2) because all or a substantial portion of the events that gave rise to Plaintiff's claims transpired nationally and internationally, including the publication or republication of the defamatory falsehoods and the damage to Plaintiff's reputation.
- 4. This Court enjoys venue under 28 U.S.C. § 1391(a)(2) because all or a substantial portion of the events that gave rise to Plaintiff's claims transpired nationally and internationally, including the publication or republication of the defamatory falsehoods and the damage to Plaintiff's reputation by Marc Birtel Director, Media Relations at Boeing Commercial Airplanes since 2011. Exhibit E. This defamatory report, statements performed by the California offices of Exponent Menlo Park, California. Dr. Celina Mikolajczak is believed to have written report upon. Dr. Michael Boost collaborated with her as the Director of Technology. Fiona Grieg, a DC resident, political candidate stated falsehoods about Plaintiff. Exhibit F.

THE PARTIES

have continually stated that nothing was wrong with the battery and that Michael Leon was at fault for explosion even in light of the redesign of the battery last year and constant problematic issues with Boeing aircraft. Grounding of planes, fatal crashes in the last year.

http://www.reuters.com/article/2013/07/26/us-boeing-faa-penaltyidUSBRE96P0XP20130726

FAA seeks \$2.75 million quality control penalty for Boeing unit

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- 5. Plaintiff, Michael A. Leon is a disabled pro se litigant receiving social security benefits. Mr. Leon is a former employee of Securaplane Technologies subcontractor of The Boeing Company relative to the Dreamliner lithium ion battery. Mr. Leon resident of Pima County, State of Arizona.
- 6. Defendant, EXPONENT maintains office in Menlo Park, California.
- 7. Defendant, FIONA GRIEG domiciled in District of Columbia.
- 8. Defendant THE BOEING COMPANY is in Chicago, IL.
 - 9. MARC BIRTEL, domiciled in Seattle, Washington.
- 10. The names of the "John Doe 1-50" "Mary Roe 1-50", "XYZ Corp, 1-50", and "ABC LLC, 1-50" defendants being figiting and appropriate the Plaintiff
- 50", defendants being fictitious, and unknown to the Plaintiff

STATEMENT OF FACTS

- 10. This is an action to recover damages and civil penalties arising out of defamation invasion of privacy. On January 22 2013 next gov Fiona Greigg stated Plaintiff was a convicted felon perpetuating negativity in an attempt to further discredit Plaintiff concerning safety concerns. Boeing and Fiona Griegg (spokesperson for all of the defendant companies in articles) stated that I was fired for internet email violation when the decision of Judge Dorsey states otherwise. Exponent has been issuing report and statements for years that I was responsible for lithium ion battery explosion despite Dreamliner Boeing issues this entire years pertaining to battery and safety of their products in general. Boeing Securaplane accused me of lying to FAA investigators. On January 22, 2013 Boeing spokesman Marc Birtel said the 2006 fire resulted from "an improper test set up, not the design of the battery." This statement was based on the Exponent report prepared for Boeing and what Marc Birtel is relying upon. Plaintiff and the public have a right to see this report. The Decision did not state I was a convicted felon and I am not. Right to Sue letters exhibits attached herein.
 - http://cdn.nextgov.com/media/gbc/docs/pdfs_edit/012213bbla.pdf http://www.nextgov.com/emerging-tech/2013/01/2006-battery-fire-destroyed-boeing-787-suppliers-facility/60809/Exhibit A.

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- http://www.reuters.com/article/2013/01/21/us-boeing-securaplane-idUSBRE90J0B320130121 **Exhibit G.**
- 12. As a proximate result of the above-described publication, plaintiff has suffered loss of his reputation, shame, mortification, and injury to his feelings inflicting emotional distress, in an amount to be established by proof at trial.
- 13. The above-described publication was not privileged because it was published by defendants with evil intent, *mens rea*, state of mind and facts supporting the allegation, for example: malice, hatred and ill will toward plaintiff and the desire to injure him and prejudice him at trial in that defendants had expressed a desire to "get" plaintiff. Because of defendants' malice in publishing, plaintiff seeks punitive damages in a total amount to be established by proof at trial]. A reasonable person would be highly offended referred to as lookout, scary unjustifiably.
- Job 2:28 Nahum 1:9 ▶ Whatever they plot against the LORD he will bring to an end; trouble will not come a second time.

ALJ William Dorsey stated that engineering Ph.ds were expert witnesses in his courtroom 1 proceeding. Dr. Michael Boost testified as an expert witness as well as Dr. Dr. Jung-Hui Cheng. Dr. Cheng did not rely on report, however, Dr. Michael Boost relied on Exponent analysis report 2 during testimony which was never produced prior to trial, during trial or any other litigations despite repeated requests. This report according to Dr. Michael Boost defames Michael A. Leon. 3 Dr. Boost lied about position with Securaplane one way or the other due to contradictory 4 statements. The first day of trial he states he is employed by Securaplane, then he is not, then on the fourth day of trial states that he is employed by Securaplane. This report was disseminated to 5 third parties and Applicants have a right to this discovery item. Countless years have been wasted in multiple jurisdictions attempting to extract this critical piece of evidence concerning 6 Dreamliner lithium ion battery explosion and destruction of Boeing subcontractor Securaplane in 7 Tucson, Arizona on November 7, 2006. Dr. Celina Mikolajczak is believed to have written report upon. Dr. Michael Boost collaborated with her as the Director of Technology. 8 http://www.exponent.com/ and Dr. Celina Mikolajczak have no problem disclosing all other 9 works regarding lithium ion battery on website as well as referencing in Linkedin. Exhibit 1a. 10 ⁶ Celina Mikolajczak's Publications 11 Lithium-ion batteries hazard and use assessment 12 The Fire Protection Research Foundation July 2011 13 Authors: Celina Mikolajczak, Michael Kahn, Richard (Tom) Long Jr., Kevin White Methodologies for battery failure analysis 14 In: Linden's Handbook of Batteries, 4th Edition. Reddy T (ed), McGraw Hill

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Authors: Celina Mikolajczak, Quinn Horn, Daren Slee, Surendra Singh, Troy Hayes, John Harmon, Ramesh Godithi, Kevin White, Ming Wu, Marcus Megerle

- Detecting lithium-ion cell internal fault development in real time
- **Power Electronics Technology**
- March 2010 O

Authors: Celina Mikolajczak, John Harmon, Quinn Horn, Kevin White, Ming Wu, Kamal Shah

- US FAA-style flammability assessment of lithium-ion batteries packed with and contained in equipment (UN3481).
 - March 2010

Authors: Celina Mikolajczak, John Harmon, Priya Gopalakrishnan

- US FAA-style flammability assessment of lithium ion cells and battery packs in aircraft cargo holds. April 2005
- Authors: Celina Mikolajczak, Alex Wagner-Jauregg
- Effect of cell state-of-charge on outcome of internal cell faults: preliminary report.

Authors: Celina Mikolajczak, Marcus Megerle, J. Ashley Kelley

- Lithium-Ion Battery Hazards
- Fire Protection Engineering 0
- October 8, 2012

Authors: Celina Mikolajczak, Richard (Tom) Long Jr., Michael Kahn

The Fire Protection Research Foundation (FPRF) completed an assessment of the hazards associated with Li-ion batteries related to storage of Li-ion batteries and fire protection; this article provides a brief overview of this work to-date.1 Before the global fire safety challenges associated with Li-ion batteries can be addressed, an understanding of Li-ion technology is useful and follows.

Celina Mikolajczak's Languages

English

(Native or bilingual proficiency)

where the information sought is relevant to cases, the information is to be produced as opposed to withheld. When the information sought is relevant, it is "presumptively discoverable" under Section 1782. In re Bayer AG, 146 F.3d 188, 195-96 (3d Cir. 1998). It provides an efficient means for federal courts to assist litigants. In re Clerici, 481 F.3d 1324, 1331(11th Cir. 2007). District Courts have broad discretion to apply Section 1782 to achieve these goals. See Intel, 542 U.S. at 252. The documents requested in this Application further the above goals and are patently relevant to the dispute issues in the Leon and Bernstein proceedings. Pursuant to the express statutory requirements, Exponent is required to produce this document and evidence relied upon when generating report. Journalists have questioned. Boeing Securaplane tactics and defamation against Michael Leon have now come full circle. There have been deaths as a result of 777 on July 6, 2013 and constant grounding relative to 787, constant groundings Dreamliner this year, redesign of battery and fatal Moscow 737 plane crash in November 2013 killing all.⁷⁸

However, as in the Chevron matter Exponent is resistant to relinquish discovery. Moreover

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Celina Mikolaiczak's Certifications

Professional Engineer in Mechanical Engineering (P.E.)

Board for Professional Engineers and Land Surveyors License M32733 January 2004 to June 2012

Hazardous Waste Operations and Emergency Response Training

in accordance with Cal-OSHA Title 8 GISO 5192 & 29CFR1910.120

Exhibit 1 Transcript Leon Vol. 4: A The root cause enarysis took approximately two yeers, give or take den't have the exact dates. A lot of evidence was gathered. On 1 neglected to name one company that was part of the investigation, named Exponent. It's Exponent, based in California. They re # Q Are they a consultant?

A Yeah. They're — they're — they're a rather large company. Their expertise is in — at least the firm we dealt with was lithium — lithium battery fires, lithium battery failures, and they're probably the best in the world, in my opinion, at that point, and they were participating all the way.

So the equipment went through many tests, many trials, many examinations, microscopic unalysis from the experts with Exponent, et, cetera, and all parties agreed to use Exponent because of their background and expertise, and when all was said and done, with so many meetings and presentations and things, when all was said and done, we had narrowed in on three potential root causes.

One of them — one of those was only agreed to by one party, so it was a minority possibility, but none of those three causes, none of those three causes had anything to do with a prior incident that occurred on the battery.

One of the tests that was done was the logic circuitry. It still existed. I mean, there was a fire, but the logic circuitry still existed. We could see the circuit boards, and they x-rayed it. They x-rayed the boards and put it through the latest technology and they literally found out that the chips looked operational at the time.

Q So were you present in the courtroom when Mr. Leon was asking Dr. Cheng some questions concerning the exhibits related to possible damage to a battery?

A I was present in the courtroom.

2 Q I guess what I'm asking about is this possibility that the battery was damaged to the -- to the -- prior to the fire. 3 Was it the conclusion of the root cause analysis that this potential damage, whether or not it -- it had occurred -- did the -- did the root cause analysis draw a conclusion about whether or not the battery had 4 been damaged prior to the fire? A The root cause analysis did not show — the root cause analysis did show that the three pole policy to do with the battery event only to the line. 5 Q I'm going to show you what is Complainant's Exhibit Number 9. 6 JUDGE DORSEY: Excuse me. I don't think that answered the question. The question was did --THE WITNESS: I'm sorry. 7 (10/GE BIORSET) = the analysic show there had been damage, prior damage to the buttery. THE WITNESS: To the best of the analysis - I need to - there - the analysis showed that there 8 could have been a potential of prior damage to the battery, totally unrelated to the spark gap or whatever had been discussed earlier. One of the alternatives was there was a defect in a small corner of a cell. That was one of the alternatives. Totally unrelated to the discussions that happened here. 10 So I'm trying to explain it by saying the analysis showed that that -- the -- the occurrence Michael discussed with the SPU and the pitting on the connector, the pinning on the connector was not - was 11 shown not to be part of any of the three possible outcomes. The three possible outcomes were linked to other root causes. 12 JUDGE DORSEY: All right. BY MS. NEWMAN: 13 Q Just for clarification, is this -And I think I'd also like to clarify that materiant. There's probability in all of these a 14 lata isn't 100 percent perfect. There's always probability of, since we couldn't narrow it down tower that that's where it ended 15 Q Okay. To be clear, Dr. Boost, I'm going to show you Complainant's Exhibit Number 4, which is -- we've looked at it a number of times with different witnesses, and this is e-mail communication between 16 individuals at Securaplane and individuals from G.S. Yuasa --17 A Mm-hmm. Q - who is the battery manufacturer, is that correct? A Mm-hmm, yes. 18 Q And this incident that's discussed in these e-mails -- if you'd turn to what's Page 3 of Complainant's Exhibit Number 4 on the bottom here, where Curtis sends an e-mail to Sami --19 Q - and describes an incident in the lab -20 A Mm-hmm. Q - while connecting the battery. 21 A Mm-hmm. Q Did the root cause analysis show that this incident played any role in the fire of November 2006? 22 A The root cause analysis showed that that did not play a role. Q Okay. Next, I'm going to show you Complainant's Exhibit Number 9. 23 A Okav. 24 Q And this is another exhibit that was looked at in the past, and I believe that it was discussed during Dr. Cheng's testimony. If you'd look about a third of the way -- or three-quarters of the way down the page, there's a parenthetical 25 here that says, "(Today, battery is critical, BCU is essential.)" Do you see that there? 26 A Yes. I do. Q Is this e-mail stating that use of the battery is essential to performing the ATP on the BCU? 27 A No, not at all. Q Is it saying that use of the battery is critical to performing the ATP on the BCU? 28 A No. that's not what it says. Q What is this referring to?

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      A That's referring to a category of equipment. Most equipment that goes on airplanes is classified as
      either critical, essential, or non-essential. Certain tests apply if you're considered critical, certain tests
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      apply if you're considered essential, and other tests apply if you're non-essential.
      It's just a category given to equipment that basically specifies its testing regime and -- and related items.
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      Q Okay. You mentioned that there were some potential causes identified as a result of that analysis. Did
      any of them - did any of those potential causes include any actions taken on the part of Mr. Leon?
      A Yes.
      Q Can you describe those, please?
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      A Again, this - this is one of the three root causes. One of the potentials was that the battery was being
      used -- allow me to explain further.
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      This is not – this is not a double A battery with just two terminals. This is a battery that's about 50 pounds.
      It's about two times the size of a car battery. It's - it's considered the Ferrari of batteries. It's considered a
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      Ferrari. It's lightweight, a lot of power.
      Consequently, it doesn't just have two terminals. It has a signal connector that's basically made to
      connect with the BCU that has -- I can't count them exactly. Michael said about -- Mr. Leon said about 30.
      There's roughly 20 to 30 interface signals that go between the two. Those signals include a number of --
      of - of signals for inhibit, stop, and other articles that are required to monitor or control that -- the charger
      and the battery together. They operate almost together.
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      Michael appeared to be using the battery with the power connectors connected so the charger could
      charge the battery but the signal harness between the two were not -- was not connected. So he was -
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      he was providing energy to the battery but we weren't -- we didn't have a good look or it was apparent he
      -- the charge -- he was controlling that outside of the scope of the connector that was necessary to control
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      the charger and the battery.
      So it's almost -- it's almost like an analogy would be a Ferrari had -- had delivered a car and you were
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      racing it around the track, racing it around the track, but you didn't look -- you didn't look at your signal
      gauges, oil pressure or water pressure or - or all those signals. You were basically relying on the thing to
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      work as you can and the signal connector wasn't connected and that was one of the possible causes.
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      <sup>8</sup> Exhibit 2 Leon Transcript Vol. 5
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      Q Okav. Well, I'm surprised that they were - are you surprised they were able to -- to guess about
      anything from the little bit that was burnt and left?
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      Q You said you sent it to three different companies or three different analyses?
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      A No. There were many people involved in the analysis.
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      A No. I believe the evidence showed that, not really the individuals.
      Q Well, if there was just as high a probability as that Number 8 cell failing, then why can you be so sure it
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      was the way that Tom Carlson had it set up for me?
      A Mr. Leon, I'm just explaining the results of the analysis.
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      Q Okay.
      MR. LEON: No further questions. I don't want -
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      JUDGE DORSEY: All right.
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      MR. LEON: - to get in no arguments.
      JUDGE DORSEY: All right. Doctor, thank you.
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      (Witness excused.)
      JUDGE DORSEY: All right, Mr. Leon, anyone else?
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      MR. LEON: Dr. Boost was the last of mine. I didn't want to call anyone else.
      JUDGE DORSEY: All right.
      MS. NEWMAN: We have two additional witnesses, Your Honor.
      JUDGE DORSEY: Okav.
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      MR. LEON: Were they on your original Pre-Trial Statement?
      MS. NEWMAN: They're on the Pre-Trial Statement we filed pursuant to the Judge's Order.
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      MR. LEON: Do we have that one, Mary? Their original Pre-Trial, because I don't remember them being
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1 Judge Nathanael Cousins ordered materials produced in Ecuador matter as they were relevant. 2 3 The Holy Bible upon which law is based upon, Mosaic law is the origin of legal proceedings, testimony and evidence. For the wise and the foolish both die. The wise will not be remembered 4 any longer than the fool. In the days to come, both will be forgotten. Ecclesiastes 2:16 5 MS. NEWMAN: About 10 days prior to the trial, you listed the witnesses that you listed on your list as may call witnesses. Both of these witnesses were on your list. You told us that you would call them on Tuesday 6 and we didn't get to them. We're calling them now. MR. LEON: I don't see them listed. Your Honor. 7 JUDGE DORSEY: I'm sorry. MR. LEON: May I approach, as well, Your Honor? I don't see them listed any -- on your Witness List. 8 They aren't listed. MS. NEWMAN: This is --9 MR. LEON: The March 16th one that you sent me. MS. NEWMAN: We didn't start this trial, Mr. Leon. The Judge's order gave us 15 days before trial. 10 MR. LEON: But we were supposed to take up where the trial left off. We can't submit new Pre-Trial Statements before the trial. This trial should -- this is the document, according to your original July 20th 11 Order, this is the original Pre-Trial Statement that we're held to. I mean, I couldn't modify mine either. MS. NEWMAN: There's no prohibition against giving Pre-Trial Statements to the Judge in July and they 12 were. Furthermore, the date this was produced means there's no prejudice. You had this over 10 days prior to this trial. 13 MR. LEON: We were going - we were supposed to pick up where the trial left off and it's like we never walked away. 14 JUDGE DORSEY: Well, when you say they were -- they were listed on -- on Mr. --MS. NEWMAN: Leon's original Pre-Trial Statement. 15 JUDGE DORSEY: All right. If you listed them on your original statement, they are entitled to rely on the fact that you were going to call them -16 MR. LEON: Okav. JUDGE DORSEY: - so that they didn't have to separately call them. So they're not truly new. 17 MR. LEON: Well, then why should they do the same thing with Lorrie Guzeman then? I mean, she was --Lorrie was listed on mine. Lorrie Guzeman was listed --18 JUDGE DORSEY: Probably because they were more important witnesses. MR. LEON: Okay. 19 JUDGE DORSEY: All right. Then, Ms. Newman, who next? MS. NEWMAN: Your Honor, at this point, we're ready to call Karen Steele. 20 JUDGE DORSEY: Ms. Steele, would you have a seat up here, please? Have a seat. Would you raise your right hand? 21 22 Luke 16:19-31 23 New International Version (NIV) 24 The Rich Man and Lazarus 25 19 "There was a rich man who was dressed in purple and fine linen and lived in luxury every day. 20 At his gate was laid a beggar named Lazarus, covered with sores 21 and longing to eat what fell from the rich man's table. Even the dogs came and 26 licked his sores. 27 ²² "The time came when the beggar died and the angels carried him to Abraham's side. The rich man also died and was buried. 23 In Hades, where he was in torment, he looked up and saw Abraham far away, with Lazarus by his side. 24 So he called to him, 'Father Abraham, have pity on me and send Lazarus to dip the tip of his finger in water and cool my tongue, because I am in agony in this fire."

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2	²⁵ "But Abraham replied, 'Son, remember that in your lifetime you received your good things, while Lazarus received bad things, but now he is comforted here and you are in agony. ²⁶ And besides all this, between us and you a great chasm has been set in place, so that those who want to go from here to you cannot, nor can anyone cross over from there to us.'
4	²⁷ "He answered, 'Then I beg you, father, send Lazarus to my family, ²⁸ for I have five brothers. Let him warn them, so that they will not also come to this place of torment.'
5	²⁹ "Abraham replied, 'They have Moses and the Prophets; let them listen to them.'
6	³⁰ "No, father Abraham,' he said, 'but if someone from the dead goes to them, they will repent.'
7	³¹ "He said to him, 'If they do not listen to Moses and the Prophets, they will not be convinced even if someone rises from the dead."
9	Salvation Holy Spirit Seals Ephesians 1:7-12 God expressed His love to us by sending His Son » « Ephesians 1:15,16 Faith in Christ leads to Christian Brotherly Love
10	Ephesians 1:13,14 The Holy Spirit Seals Us till the Day of Redemption [Translate]
11	Jesus Christ is the only way one can be saved from their sins. Only by trusting in Him for forgiveness of one's sins can a person be saved. Paul explains exactly this in the first part of Ephesians 1:13.
12	Ephesians 1:13 "In whom ye also trusted, after that ye heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation:"
13 14 15	The people from the church in Ephesus heard the "word of truth". This word of truth is the gospel (or good news) of their ability to be saved from their sins. This good news was brought about by their trust in Jesus Christ. People today look for ways to be saved from their sins. Some people feel just being a good person will do this. Some people believe in acting on some form of penance will do this for them. Others feel they've done so many bad things that there is no way for someone to be freed from the sins of their past. In Ephesians 1:13, Paul says Jesus Christ is the one "in whom ye also trusted" and this trust led to the good news of their salvation. Jesus Christ is the only way to be freed from the burden of sin. There is no sin so great that trusting
16	in Jesus Christ will not free you from it.
17	After trusting in Jesus Christ, Paul explains how something wonderful happens.
18	Ephesians 1:13 "in whom also after that ye believed, ye were sealed with that holy Spirit of promise,"
19	After they trusted in Jesus Christ, God put a seal upon them. Think of a seal being like a bond which only the owner of the seal can remove. When a king places a seal on a document, no one can break that seal except for the king himself. Verse 13 says that after we believe, we are sealed with the Holy Spirit of promise.
20 21	We are given the Holy Spirit when we believe in Jesus' ability to forgive our sins. The Holy Spirit acts as our keeper and secures us as part of God's family. Look at verse 14.
22	Ephesians 1:14 "Which is the earnest of our inheritance until the redemption of the purchased possession, unto the praise of his glory."
23	Paul describes the work and purpose of the Holy Spirit within this verse. We are given the Holy Spirit as "earnest of our inheritance." Being part of God's family, we will be due an inheritance. We are given this being adopted into His family. As a
24	payment made to hold and secure us, God "paid" the Holy Spirit. When someone wants to buy something, oftentimes they are required to pay a down payment. The down payment is meant to hold the property till the time comes for the remainder to be
25 26	paid. When we become children of God, God secures US with a down payment, which is the Holy Spirit. The Holy Spirit is a seal upon us, a seal which cannot be broken by anyone else, including the devil. This seal remains intact, as Paul puts it, "until the redemption of the purchased possession."
27	We become God's purchased possession when we trust in Christ. The Holy Spirit holds us till we get to heaven, when God will break the seal, till God redeems what He has purchased.
28	Since the Holy Spirit seals us till this day, we have to be mindful of things we do, things we say and how we live our life. The Holy Spirit is with us, and since He is part of the Godhead Trinity, cannot stand sin. Look at Ephesians 4:30.
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John 7:45 The officers then came to the chief priests and Pharisees, who said to them, "Why did you not bring [Jesus]?" 46 The officers answered, "No one ever spoke like this man!" 47 The Pharisees answered them, "Have you also been deceived? 48 Have any of the authorities or the Pharisees believed in him? 49 But this crowd that does not know the law is accursed." 50 Nicodemus, who had gone to him before, and who was one of them, said to them, 51 "Does our law judge a man without first giving him a hearing and learning what he does?"

Exponent, Inc. in Chevron Equador case was ordered to produce records. Exponent attempted to withhold evidence in this matter as it has done throughout Boeing matter.

FAA Proceedings

Dr. Jung-Hui Cheng Michael Leon's Engineering Supervisor testified in the FAA Boeing 2008-AIR-00012 DOL proceedings which is now before the Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals 13-71450 Leon v. LABR. 2008-AIR-00012 DOL Testimony pg. 19 trial transcript Vol. 1 - Ph.d. Dr. Cheng examined. This witness was favorable to Michael. Testimony:

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Q Okay. Titled to people, and could you read this e-6 mail out loud, please? 7 A "We had total accident in the lab. Did Mike tell 8 you about? The technicians in the lab had an accident while 9 connecting up the battery and decided to try and repair the 10 battery before making me aware of what happened. I walked in 11 on the activity in the lab and made them stop so I could 12 evaluate and decide what to do. I took pictures and provide 13 in a report for you to review, Mr. G.S. Team."

Likewise, Dr. Michael Boost evasive lying corporate witness head who would NOT produce Exponent Analysis for battery during or after FAA . 2008-AIR-00012 DOL trial yet relied on this evidence for testimony and his unethical lawyers. The ALJ violated ADA court prohibited acts and is the subject of investigation litigation. This law firm Ogletree Deakins was accused by Maricopa County and settled for fraudulently billing stealing taxpayer monies in Maricopa County. This defendant in Michael Leon case which was dismissed by judges and this defendant is the CTO in FAA AIR 21 case that lied about corporate representative employment status. This Ph.d. unfavorable to Michael and harassed during safety concerns, convalesence at home after injuries from injury in February heart foot January-February 2007 and from explosion in November 2006. Michael Leon was forced to work 18 straight days in severe heart distress.

During AIR 21 proceedings discovery Michael Leon, Native American and Hispanic man learned prior to the explosion documented by emails that the battery he was forced to use which caused the fire had been previously damaged, repaired without his knowledge. It is not clear what happened to this battery but Securaplane subcontractor Boeing personnel concealed, rerepaired. Perhaps sparked, faulty uncertain. GS Yuasa and several emails confirm damage re-

Ephesians 4:30 "And grieve not the holy Spirit of God, whereby ye are sealed unto the day of redemption."

Let us live our lives pleasing to God, and pleasing to the Holy Spirit.

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repair. Paraphrasing but an email said something to the effect that because it is Securaplane they are trustworthy. Mike can locate emails and provide to you. Again, concealment lies to insure that the Dreamliner met debut July 8, 2007 on the part of Boeing Securaplane and others. Profit before safety. The morning of the Battery fire at Securaplane, Michael Leon reported to management that the Battery was still warm from the previous day's useage. Yet this was not reported or acted upon: "FAA and Boeing witnesses artfully dodged responding to why they didn't take the time to re-test these batteries against a standard the FAA asked to be developed after a fire broke out at SecuraPlane." They knew there was a thermal issue back in November of 2006 and buried this issue to expidite the program. They failed to act upon the minimum FAA standard.

After I discovered a short circuit across the fault detection circuity of the charger that communicates with the battery, I was instructed to continue to ship airworthy systems without resolving this issue first- hence I started my FAA Whistleblower complaint. This was due to Boeing's pressure to expidite the program schedule as priority.

There were ongoing thermal concerns, the battery was returned to me after an external thermal sensor had been installed at Securaplane, instead of shipping it back to the manufacturer. This verified unauthorized opening of the battery to due this. After opening any unit, the acceptance test procedure is voided, and re-running of the ATP is required. It also showed that there was a possible thermal problem that was left unresolved. I had complained to management early in the morning of the fire that the battery was still hot from the previous day's testing. This fact has been swept under the rug to expedite the program at the cost of safety.

Plaintiffs in the Boeing matters, Michael Leon and M. Helen Bernstein, two disabled pro se litigants, one terminally ill, have been sparring with white shoe defense counsel in cases for the past six years in an effort to protect the public and receive justice for Michael Leon and his son international defamation, invasion of privacy, false light. This includes hundreds of thousands of pages of legal argument, transcript of records, audio video records and attendance at proceedings. This entails six Big Law law firms and judges from multiple forums. This includes lawsuit against defense counsel abuses. This concerns multiple media journalists mainstream as well as independent documentary filmmakers from all over the World that Plaintiffs Leon and Bernstein are assisting this entire year and ongoing. Boeing was fined \$2.75 for faulty parts in connection with 777, 787 same Washington manufacturing facility.

http://thebostonjournal.com/2013/07/26/faa-proposes-2-75-million-fine-on-boeing-for-tardy-fastener-fix/ Unfortunately deaths had to occur first and Plaintiffs warned during these many years of litigation due to safety battery and parts not matching schematics placed on aircraft. Journalists are the only ones exposed these issues. Defense counsel have succeeded in suppressing from public, court for years in these lawsuits endangering consumers in this contentious litigation.

COUNT ONE DEFAMATION INVASION OF PRIVACY FALSE LIGHT EMOTIONAL DISTRESS

- 14. Plaintiff hereby incorporates the allegations contained in paragraphs 1 13 as though fully set forth herein.
- 15. Defendants, through the above-described scurrilous and outrageous conduct and false statements, intentionally and/or recklessly, inflicted emotional distress upon Plaintiff. Plaintiff is

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entitled to recover damages for the emotional distress caused by Defendants in an amount to be proven at trial. Exponent libeled in report which refuses to produce. This behavior has continued for years and years escalating with international libel in an attempt to conceal, suppress faulty parts, lithium ion battery. Dreamliner problematic issues worldwide has been the focus of daily news coverage. Three Chinese children perished on July 6, 2013. The same Washington facility manufactures both 777 and 787. My son was slandered individuals close to me. Boeing financed defense of Securaplane in FAA whistleblower DOL action pending before the Ninth Circuit Court Case No. 13-71450. Harassment began when I brought forth safety concerns prior to lithium ion battery fire in November 7, 2006 and has continually escalated. I was nearly killed in this accident due to supervisors refusal to adhere to safety concerns. I have lost my health and my career and live a poverty stricken life. These defendants continually attempt to inflict more mental and physical anguish on me. Issue: if employee is hard of hearing, anxiety disorder has been reprimanded at a job, does this mean that they are not deemed credible whistleblowing? If the employee has had traffic infractions does this bar them from complaining to supervisors? Is this what Congress intended? No protection afforded? Judge Dorsey stated that Michael Leon engaged in protected activity. ALJ Dorsey allowed perjury by Defendant Boeing Securaplane witnesses, withholding of evidence, reliance of Michael Boost on expert report by Exponent Consultants which was never submitted or provided to DOL or Claimant Michael Leon. Oro Valley police retained in connection with DOL litigation against Plaintiff Claimant and his son firefighter Achilles Leon. Plaintiff Claimant did not learn about police retention post employment retaliation until discovery in C20091791 civil action in Pima County Superior Court. The latest continuation harassment post employment below. On January 22 2013 next gov Fiona Greigg Exponent stated Plaintiff was a convicted 16.

16. On January 22 2013 next gov Fiona Greigg Exponent stated Plaintiff was a convicted felon perpetuating negativity in an attempt to further discredit Plaintiff concerning safety concerns. Boeing and Fiona Griegg (spokesperson for all of the defendant companies in articles) stated that I was fired for internet email violation when the decision of Judge Dorsey states otherwise. Exponent continually defaming with fraudulent report disseminating to third parties. Boeing Securaplane accused me of lying to FAA investigators. The Decision did not state I was a convicted felon and I am not. http://cdn.nextgov.com/media/gbc/docs/pdfs_edit/012213bbla.pdf http://www.nextgov.com/emerging-tech/2013/01/2006-battery-fire-destroyed-boeing-787-suppliers-facility/60809/ Exhibit A, B Attached.

17. On January 22, 2013 Boeing spokesman Marc Birtel said the 2006 fire resulted from "an improper test set up, not the design of the battery."

http://cdn.nextgov.com/media/gbc/docs/pdfs_edit/012213bb1a.pdf http://www.nextgov.com/emerging-tech/2013/01/2006-battery-fire-destroyed-boeing-787-suppliers-facility/60809/

A, B Attached. The analysis claiming this improper test setup which is circulating disparaging me was produced by Exponent. I have a right to review and challenge this defamatory publication which is circulated internationally and nationally.

18. On January 14, 2014 battery issues grounding Dreamliner in Tokyo. This is an ongoing defamatory emotional distress issue which I have a right to bring before a jury to determine the merits. I am a pro se litigant and cannot articulate like that of an attorney but I deserve the right to adjudicate claim in court forum I select to eschew. Laws are created so that actions can be brought if violations occur. Justice delayed is justice denied. There is no double jeopardy because this matter has never been tried, verdicts received. Exhibits C-D reflect the current problems with the lithium ion battery which I have emphasized continually. The problem has not been corrected rather redesigned continually. The Exponent report claims that the lithium ion battery explosion was merely improper setup and not the battery itself problematic.

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PRAYER FOR RELIEF

WHEREFORE, plaintiffs demand judgment against defendants, and each of them, for the following relief:

- a. Produce report and all notes, memoranda in connection with November 7, 2006 Boeing supplier Securaplane premises Tucson Arizona and disclose who ordered report prepare for
- Grant a permanent injunction enjoining Defendants, their officers, successors, assigns, and all persons in active concert or participation with them, from engaging in retaliation against individuals in close association with an individual who engages in protected activity or against individuals who participate in an employment discrimination proceeding;
- Order Defendants to institute and carry out policies, practices and programs which
 prohibit retaliation and which eradicate the effects of their past and present unlawful
 employment practices;
- d. Order Defendants to make whole Michael Leon by providing appropriate back pay and front pay for actual damages with pre-judgment interest, in an amount to be determined at trial, and other affirmative relief if necessary to eradicate the effects of their unlawful employment practices, including but not limited to Michael Leon's pecuniary losses;
- e. Order Defendants to make whole Michael Leon by providing compensation for past and future pecuniary losses resulting from the unlawful employment practices described above, including medical expenses, in amounts to be determined at trial;
- f. Order Defendants to make whole Michael Leon by providing compensation for past and future non-pecuniary losses resulting from the unlawful employment practices complained of above, including emotional pain, suffering, inconvenience, loss of enjoyment of life and humiliation, in amounts to be determined at trial;
- g. Order Defendants to pay Michael Leon his special damages in amounts to be determined at trial;
- h. Order Defendants to pay damages to Michael Leon for any and all injuries to his career, in amounts to be determined at trial;
- i. Award Michael Leon the costs of this action, previous actions and any such further relief as the Court may deem jut, proper and equitable; and
- j. Grant such further relief as the Court deems necessary and proper in the public interest.

RESERVATION OF RIGHTS

Pursuant to the rules of pleading and practice, Plaintiff reserves the right to assert additional violations of federal and state law.

JURY DEMAND

Plaintiff demand a trial by jury and all issues so triable. Pursuant to Fed. R. Civ. P. 38 (a), (b) & (c) Plaintiff hereby demand a trial by jury on all issues. RULE 38. RIGHT TO A JURY TRIAL; DEMAND states:

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- (a) Right Preserved. The right of trial by jury as declared by the Seventh Amendment to the Constitution—or as provided by a federal statute—is preserved to the parties inviolate
- b) Demand. On any issue triable of right by a jury, a party may demand a jury trial by:
 - (1) serving the other parties with a written demand—which may be included in a pleading no later than 14 days after the last pleading directed to the issue is served; and
 - (2) filing the demand in accordance with Rule 5(d).
- (c) Specifying Issues. In its demand, a party may specify the issues that it wishes to have tried by a jury; otherwise, it is considered to have demanded a jury trial on all the issues so triable. If the party has demanded a jury trial on only some issues, any other party may—within 14 days after being served with the demand or within a shorter time ordered by the court—serve a demand for a jury trial on any other or all factual issues triable by jury.

LEAVE TO AMEND

Plaintiffs demand a trial by jury and all issues so triable and leave to amend complaint if necessary. Plaintiffs reserves the right to amend. 10

JURY DEMAND

Plaintiff demands a trial by jury trial by the triers of fact not a judge and all issues so triable. Because of the oppressive, willful and malicious actions in the past and continually exhibited by

As a general matter, the sufficiency of a complaint filed in federal court is governed by Rule 8 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure. Rule 8(a)2) provides that a complaint must set forth only "a short and plain statement of the claim showing that the pleader is entitled to relief." Given this "simplified standard for pleading, [a] court may dismiss a complaint only if it is clear that no relief could be granted under any set of facts that could be proved consistent with the allegations.' Swierkiewicz v. Sorema, N.A., 534 U.S. 506, 514, 122 S.Ct. 992, 152 L.Ed.2d 1 (2002) (quoting Hishon v. King & Spalding, 467 U.S. 69, 73, 104 S.Ct. 2229, 81 L.Ed.2d 59 (1984)). This court reviews de novo a district court's decision regarding a motion to dismiss, pursuant to FRCP 12(b)(6), because the district court decision is based purely on the legal sufficiency of a plaintiff's case. Memphis, Tennessee Area Local, American Postal Workers Union, AFL-CIO v. City of Memphis, 86 Fed. Appx. 137, Slip Copy, 2004 WL 103000 (6th Cir. 2004); Barrett v. Harrington, 130 F.3d 246, 251 (6th Cir. 1997). Under the liberal notice pleading rules, a complaint need only put a party on notice of the claim being asserted against it to satisfy the federal rule requirement of stating a claim upon which relief can be granted. Fed.R.Civ.P. 8(a); Swierkiewicz v. Sorema N.A., 534 U.S. 506, 508, 122 S.Ct. 992, 152 L.Ed.2d 1 (2002) (holding that a court may dismiss a complaint only if it is clear that no relief could be granted under any set of facts that could be proved consistent with the allegations). A complaint need not anticipate every defense and accordingly need not plead every response to a potential defense. Poe v. Haydon, 853 F.2d 418, 424 (6th Cir. 1988) (stating that a civil rights plaintiff need not anticipate an affirmative defense which must be pleaded by the defendant). A court must construe the complaint in the light most favorable to the plaintiffs and accept as true all well pleaded factual allegations. Cooper v. Parrish, 203 F.3d 937, 944 (6th Cir.2000).

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Defendants, Plaintiffs reserve the right to amend this First Amended Complaint to seek to recover exemplary damages in addition to compensatory damages. Plaintiffs reserve the right to amend this First Amended Complaint as discovery unfolds and litigation proceeds before a trial before peers. The merits to be decided by the trier of fact.

DATED this 15th day of January, 2014.

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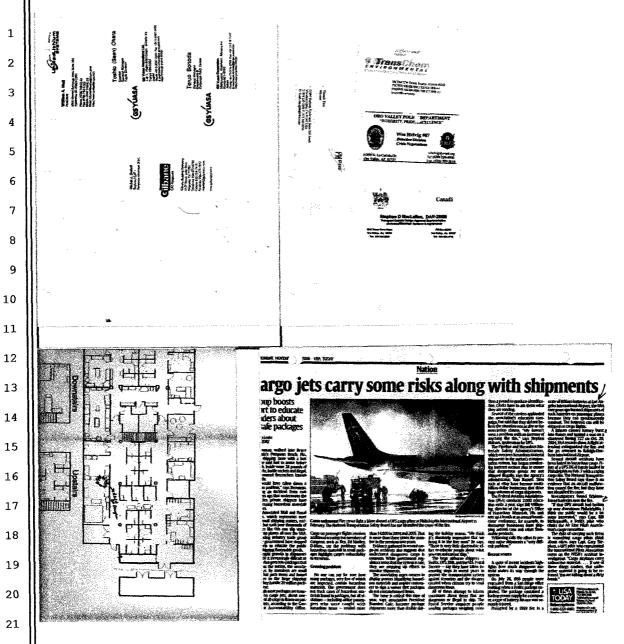
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headquartered in a Paris suburb. Thales has a contract for the 787's electrical power Kingdom, manufactures the systems for Boeing under a subcontract with Thales, Securaplane, a unit of global engineering firm Meggit PLC, based in the United conversion system, with GS Yuasa of Kyoto supplying the batteries.

Wichael Leon, a Securaplane engineering technician, was working on the 787 battery charger unit when it exploded in 2006. He complained in January 2007 that the units did not conform to design schematics, according to a final decision and order Labor Issued July 15, 2011,

November 2006, while Leon was running tests, the battery exploded, resulting in "a devastating fire that destroyed According to that 56-page document, Securaplane won a contract for the 787 battery charger unit in 2004. In Securaplane's] labs and production building."

Despite his concerns, Leon said he was "pressured [by Securaplane] to sign off on Acceptance Test Procedures (ATPs) for noncompliant units and ship them to customers. He says he gave in to pressure to run the ATPs, knowing they would be re-run after he fixed the units, but balked at actually shipping noncompliant units," according to the document.

confinued to raise the nonconformance issues and the discrepancy, but no one fixed it. Eventually he filed an FAA When he returned to work on March 5, 2007, he received a formal written disciplinary warning. Leon says he On March 1, 2007, Leon left work without shipping what he thought were noncompliant battery charger units. complaint Meanwhile, Leon charged, he was subject to disciplinary action, was later suspended, and eventually fired. "Leon believes the fiming of his termination proves Securaplane was motivated by retaliatory animus toward Leon's protected safety activities," the Labor Department decision said Securapiane, along with Thales and GS Yuasa, conducted a two-year investigation and narrowed the cause of the battery." FAA spokeswoman Laura Brown said the agency "investigated Mr. Leon's complaints in 2008 and 2009. fire to one of three possibilities: a defect in one corner of a battery cell; prior damage to the battery; and Leon's Boeing spokesman Marc Birtel said the 2006 fire resulted from "an improper lest set up, not the design of the The Investigation determined that the battery charging units in the complaints were prototypes, and none are installed in Boeing 787 aircraft. Our reviews also determined Securapiane's production of a particular printed failure to connect a harness that transmits signals between the battery and the charger unit during the test. circuit board complied with FAA requirements."

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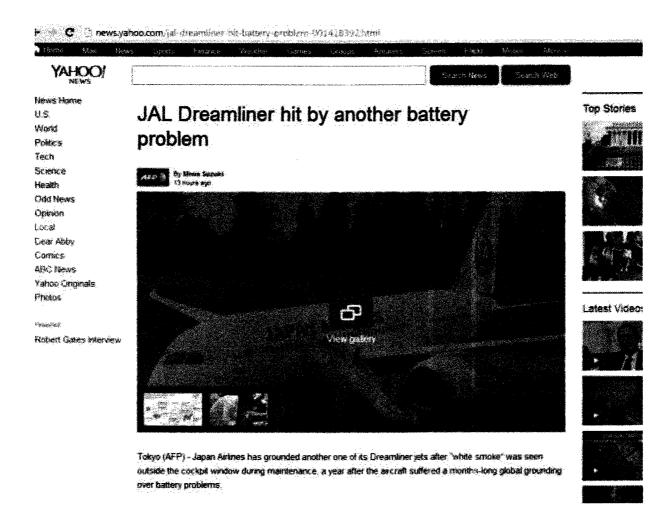
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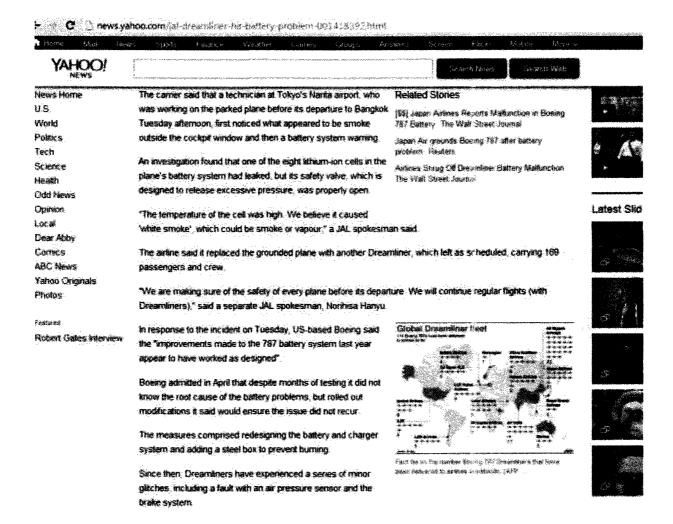
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The move was linked to a string of incidents, including a fire aboard a parked Dreamliner, which damaged the fuel-efficient jet's reputation and that of its manufacturer Boeing.



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The Kyoto-based battery maker said it was "cooperating with Boeing and Japan Airlines on finding the cause" of the latest ballery malfunction it declined to elaborate further.

Hideo Inagalo, a former JAL maintenance specialist and chief researcher at Japan Aviation Management Research, said the carbon-fibre bodied place's glitches are little surprise given its state-of-the-art technology

"Planes are very complicated machines and whether reported or not, they often experience glitches," he told AFP

"The point is whether (Boeing) is appropriately handling these new issues."

The US Federal Aviation Administration said it was working with Boeing and the Japan Civil Aviation Bureau to investigate, while the US National Transportation Safety Board said it was ready to assist Japanese authorities

Repeated efforts to get a comment from the Japanese aviation bureau's safety unit were unsuccessful

The number of 767s in operation worldwide had more than doubled from the 50 in service when the plane was grounded last year.









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the Boston airport -- but "if treated the symptoms, not the causes of the problem," Schlachter said, it is still not fully known what caused the first incidents and it will likely take a long time to figure out the reasons for Tueday's incident, he added.

products that use the lithium-lon batteries, there's not much history and perspective to customers" that fires are relatively normal, Schlachter said. For electric cars and other We have not tamed the internal combustion engine, we have accustomed the

"We accept the incidents," he said. "The reassuring part is there's much less energy in a battery than in a car's tank.

The primary goal is still a battery that can store more energy, thus offering a larger range, doesn't cost more, and it is not impractical in terms of size, Schlachter said.

videspread commercialization, said Dan Abraham, a scientist with the Argonne National batteries' combustibility without reducing their performance, but a breakthrough in research of new materials is at least five years away and about a decade from Meanwhile, a lot of research is being carried out to find ways to reduce lithium-ion Laboratory outside Chicago

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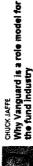
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"It is really hard to nail down a winner at this time," he said. It could involve the use of different electrolytes in the battery pack, or adding certain additives to the electrolytes, or both, to prevent fires. Materials tried, however, are still pricey and performance is not great, he added.

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vision for a secure community."

Arriving at the event on her bike, the 32-year-old McKinsey & Co. consultant told the group, The believe we deserve better government, more efficient government, more ethical government and a full-time Councilmember [in a Council where there is] less profanity, that is open and accessible."

Grieg, a Harvard PhD, moved to Washington from Cambridge, MA in 2007 and lives on 27th street. "I'm not a Washingtonian," she said. "I'm fresh and don't come with the baggage, special interest favors and promises I've made to

Greig, who has been meeting with a group of supporters for some months and said she is still exploring a candidacy, said D.C. residents deserve a clearer, forward-thinking vision for the city. T an representative of many people who come to D.C. and Ward 2 who want to stay here, "she said. The community benk and microboan expert said residents need a "leader in the community to inform families of their choices." Greig said the ward needs "a 20-year felion for a secure community."

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Greig favors the recent tax increase from 8.5 to 8.95 percent for the District's highest-income residents. "I'm in favor of highest-income residents. Tm in favor of the tax increase [that just passed] while entering into conversation on how to increase efficiency of government." Greig said she would use her experience in federal and local budgets to "reduce and prevent deficits." Budgets shouldn't be a matter of 'adding and subtracting, i.e., adding taxes or cutting services for the noor" she said. "You can find



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efficiencies ... it's not too much to ask as a full-time Councilmember."

Greig (left) with Pat Wilson, the Greig (left) with Pat Wilson, the host of the Monday meet & greet.

Asked whether she would support the D.C.-subsidized new convention center and Adams Morgan hxury hotels as well as a new soccer stadium in Anacostia, Greig said economic development "is not simply through real estate, real estate....I don't see why these projects couldn't be 100% private funding."

Greig said she recently met with Evans at Marvelous Market. "He gave a stump speech...a lot about past 20, 15, 10 years, not about the future."

More about Greig's exploratory campaign is on Facebook.









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unit. They also plan to travel to Phoenix and carry out similar tests at the site where a unit of United Technologies Corp builds the power unit. Fiona Greig, a spokeswoman for Securaplane, said the company had been invited to "contribute to the investigation process" and planned to fully support it.

"In line with the NTSE's practices, however, it would not be helpful to that investigation to comment further," she said in a statement provided to Reuters.

The U.S. Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) on Sunday said it had investigated safery complaints leveled by a former Securaplane employee in 2008 and 2009 but determined that the allegations focused on prototypes that were not ultimately used in the new lightweight airliner.

Shubhayu Chakraborty, president of Securaplane, earlier told Reuters that his company's lithium-ion battery charger was currently only in use on the Boeing 787, although it is developing different systems for use on other aircraft.

Securaplane is building a lithium-ion battery system for the KC-390 military transport plane being developed by Brazil's Embraer SA, which is due to have its flist flight in 2014. Embraer declined comment.

The company is also developing backup batteries for the Embraer Legacy 450 and 500 business jets and will make the lithium bettery for the next-generation Eurocopter EC-135 helicopter being developed by EADS, according to the company's vebsite.

The charger is part of a complex system that uses a lithium-ion battery made by Japan's GS Yuasa Corp and electrical systems made by France's Thales to provide start up power for an auxiliary power unit, which is built by Pratt & Whitney, a unit of United Technologies.

A separate lithium-ion battery, which also uses a Securaplane charger and Thales electrical power conversion equipment, is used as a main battery backup for flight critical systems, according to Boeing.

The NTSB's decision to travel to Securaplane's facility sparked fresh questions about a fire that destroyed an administrative building there in 2006.

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Boeing spokesman Marc Birtel said an investigation into the 2006 fire at the Securaplane facility was later determined to have been caused by an improper test set-up, not the battery design. He declined comment on the current 787 investigations.

After the fire, a former Securaplane employee named Michael Leon filed a claim for federal whistleblower protection, alleging that he was fired for raising security concerns about the design of the charger and discrepancies between assembly documents for the chargers and the finished chargers.

A federal administrative law judge dismissed Leon's suit in 2011, saying the company had proven he was fired for repeated misconduct, not any safety complaints. The judge did not rule on Leon's alleged safety concerns.

Greig confirmed the suit was filed and dismissed, but said the company could not discuss personnel issues.

Leon could not be reached for comment.

FAA spokeswoman Laura Brown said the FAA investigated Leon's complaints, but determined that the battery charging units that he addressed were prototypes, and none were installed in Boeing 787 aircraft.

"Our reviews also determined Securaplane's production of a particular printed circuit board complied with FAA requirements," Brown said.

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The justices refused to make an exception for a penson who, when confronted by a tax agent or federal investigator, denies he has done anything wrong.

The law makes it a crime to utter "any false statement" to a faderal agent, and "the word 'no' in response to a question assuredly makes a 'statement, " asid Justice Autonin Scalia for the 7-2 majority.

Monday's decision in Brogan vs. U.S., 96-1979, marks the second time in two weeks that the justices have said honesty is the only policy for someone who comes under federal investigation.

Last week, the court said the Constitution does not give public employees a right to deny accusations that later turn out to be true. That 9-0 ruiling reinstated various punishments of five federal employees who ninisally denised wrongdoing.

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flowever, the court's opinions show that false statements of any sort can be punished, even when they are simple denials that are later shown to be untrue.

It has always been understood that a person who lies under oath can be charged with perjury.

Five years ago, the court went a step further and said anyone who lies on the witness stand and is later found guilty can get an increased sentence.

Justices John Paul Stevens and Stephen G. Breyer dissented.

Monday's ruling arose when a union official in Boston said "no" when asked by federal agents whether he had accepted bribes. When the truth came to light, he was prosecuted for taking bribes and making a false statement to federal agents.

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